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BIENNIAL ELECTION TO RAJYA SABHA, 2018

The Election Commission of India has, by a Notification No. 318/CS-SKM/2018 (1) called upon the elected Members of the Legislative Assembly of Sikkim State to elect 1 (one) member to the Council of States from Sikkim to fill the vacancy in that House to be caused due to the retirement of Shri Hishey Lachungpa on 23rd February, 2018 on the expiration of his term of office.

The Election Commission of India has appointed the following dates for the said biennial election to the Rajya Sabha:-

- a) The 5th January, 2018 (Friday), as the last date of making nominations,
- b) The 6th January, 2018 (Saturday), as the date for the scrutiny of nominations,
- c) The 8th January, 2018 (Monday), as the last date for withdrawal of candidatures,
- d) The 16th January, 2018 (Tuesday), as the date on which a poll shall, if necessary, be taken, and
- e) The 22nd January, 2018 (Monday), as the date before which the election shall be completed.

The Commission has fixed the hours from 9.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M. as the hours during which a Poll shall, if necessary, be taken for the Biennial Election. The venue of the Poll will be the Conference Room of Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Nam Nang Road, Gangtok and the Secretary, Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat and the Joint Secretary and Legal Officer, Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat has been appointed as the Returning Officer and the Assistant Returning Officers respectively.

Forms of nomination papers may be obtained from the office of Returning Officer or Assistant Returning Officer from 29th December, 2017 (Office of the Secretary, Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Nam Nang Road, Gangtok). Duly filled in nomination papers are required to be delivered by the candidate or his proposer to the Returning Officer or to the Assistant Returning Officer at the office of the Secretary, Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Nam Nang Road, Gangtok between 11.00 A.M. to 3.00 P.M. In the event of the election being contested, the poll will be taken on 16th January, 2018 in the Conference Room of Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Nam Nang Road, Gangtok.

**L.M. Pradhan, IAS
Returning Officer
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